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COAL
LOK SABHA

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COAL BLOCKS RESERVED FOR AUCTION
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the norms under which certain coal blocks have been proposed to be reserved for auction;

(b) the number of such blocks, State-wise alongwith the estimated reserves of coal therein;

(c) whether the proceeds of such auction would be made available fully to the respective States: and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI PRATIK PRAKASHBAPU PATIL)

(a)&(b): No norms have been fixed for reserving coal blocks for auction. Further, no coal blocks have been earmarked so far for allocation under auction by bidding route.

(c): Yes, Sir. The entire proceeds raised through competitive bidding are proposed to be transferred to the concerned State Governments where such coal/lignite blocks are located.

(d): Does not arise in view of the answer given to part (c) of the question.